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APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability dated September 29, 2004, the Examiner stated reasons for allowance. Applicant agrees in part with the stated reasons for allowance, insofar as the prior art does not teach or suggest the features noted by the Examiner. However, Applicant believes that other aspects of the claimed invention are also not taught or suggested by the prior art of record. Thus, the stated reasons for allowance should interpreted as highlighting only some of the differences between prior art and the claimed invention. As usual, the scope of the claims should be based on the totality of the language of the allowed claims.

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